

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY POLLUTION PREVENTION

Margaret Townsend Center for Biological Diversity P.O. Box 11374 Portland, OR 97211-0374

Re: Freedom of Information Request EPA-HQ-2018-008793/Closing Response

Dear Ms. Townsend:

This is in response to your inquiry to EPA's Freedom of information Office on June 19, 2018 where you are requesting from June 1, 2018 to the date EPA conducts its search for this request: (1) All applications and/or requests for exemptions under Section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, 7 U.S.C. 6 §136 et seq. ("FIFRA") for the use of the pesticide sulfoxaflor, and/or any pesticide products containing sulfoxaflor; and (2) All records explaining the basis for any final decisions on any applications and/or requests for emergency exemptions, including but not limited to EPA's notices to applicants of EPA's decisions. Please find the responsive records (6) to your request regarding Section 18 for the use of the pesticide Sulfoxaflor submitted from June 1, 2018 to the date of this search July 17, 2018.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the EPA's National FOIA Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460 or through FOIAonline if you are an account holder. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20460. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (202) 741-5769.

There are no fees associated with your request; therefore, the fee waiver is moot. If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me on (703) 305-5232 (Tuesday – Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) or email me at mcbride.sharony@epa.gov. Refer to the above FOI identification number when contacting me about this request.

Sincerely,

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